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# NUCLEONICA: A WEB PORTAL FOR THE NUCLEAR SCIENCES

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# NUCLEONICA:SNAP Science Networking and Applications Portal

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# NUCLEONICA: A Platform for Knowledge Management, Education and Training

## Knowledge and Learning: Overview

*Knowledge and learning have been the subject of study for centuries. Aristotle differentiated between various types of knowledge and how they are acquired. In the eighteenth century, Adam Smith developed a theory of knowledge to be gained through "division of labour" and based on repeating well defined tasks. However, since the early 1990s, the "knowledge economy" or "knowledge society" has gained increasing attention in management circles with many large organizations engaging in a range of knowledge and learning activities. Some of the reasons for these developments are as follows...*



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## Knowledge and Learning: Overview...

1. *The realization that the Western world (and Japan) were increasingly producing and profiting more and more from services and making fewer tangible goods. This substantial economic shift was a result of manufacturing moving to "less developed" nations because of lower costs.*

2. *Increasing importance is being given to an organization's competences and capabilities rather than material and financial resources. As a consequence, organizations began to realize that their most valuable resource could be found in the brains of their employees.*

3. *The impact of the "learning by doing" school of thought (Constructionism), on how expertise develops in practice.*

4. *The geographically dispersed nature of organizations which leads to the formation of virtual teams operating in a cyber-environment.*

5. *Knowledge related technologies i.e. the proliferation of knowledge and learning tools. However, technology driven approaches (pushed by vendors of software for example) need to be used with care to ensure that they play only a subordinated role in the management of people and processes.*

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## Types of Knowledge : Explicit vs. Tacit

It is generally accepted that different types of knowledge have very different characteristics. Explicit knowledge, for example, consists of facts, sets of instructions, etc. Implicit knowledge, on the other hand, is more related to know-how. These different types of knowledge have, of course, very different characteristics with regard, for example, to transferability. Explicit knowledge is transferable from person to person, across space and time. In contrast, tacit knowledge cannot be easily articulated and its transfer is slow and uncertain. As a consequence, explicit knowledge is not the basis of sustainable advantage over other organisations (except in the form of copyrights, patents, etc.). It is more the tacit knowledge that fits this role and this is notoriously difficult to transfer - even within the organization itself.





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## Nucleonica - web driven nuclear science



NUCLEONICA is a new nuclear science web portal from the European Commission's Joint Research Centre. The portal provides a customisable, integrated environment and collaboration platform for the nuclear sciences using the latest internet "Web 2.0" dynamic technology.

NUCLEONICA is aimed at professionals, academics and students working with radionuclides in fields as diverse as the life sciences (e.g. biology, medicine, agriculture), the earth sciences (geology, meteorology, environmental science) and the more traditional disciplines such as nuclear power, health physics and radiation protection, nuclear and radiochemistry, and astrophysics. It is also used as a knowledge management tool to preserve nuclear knowledge built up over many decades by creating modern web-based versions of so-called legacy computer codes.

NUCLEONICA provides "software as a service" on the web rather than through installed software, adding a greater level of stability and security and avoiding version compatibility and update problems. In addition, all NUCLEONICA's web applications are browser and operating system independent and can therefore be accessed by most web browsers.

NUCLEONICA offers the following main features:

- » **Data Centre:** Online interactive nuclide charts. Reference data and searchable databases for internationally evaluated nuclear data. Library creation software

### NUCLEONICA HOT TOPICS

» **Open Call for JRC Traineeships**

November 14, 2007

ITU's first open call for JRC-Traineeships has been published on our website. The deadline for applications is 6 December 2007 (midnight). In particular we have a position for assistance in the development of an electronic version of the Karlsruhe

### NUCLEAR NEWS

**French FM: France is not ruling out a military strike on Iran**

NOV 18 Even though in Tehran the IAEA's report was described as a "political victory" that may prevent the intensifying of international sanctions, Kouchner says that "for now Iran persists in not meeting it [...]"

**Iran: UNSC interference illegal**

NOV 18 Mohammad Saeedi, a senior Iranian nuclear official has said insistence on pursuing Iran's nuclear program at the Security Council lacks legal grounds, PressTV reported. [...]

**Iran says ready to act if attacked ...**


NOV 18 LONDON, November 18 (IranMania) - Hardline Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Iran was ready to respond if attacked, but played down the prospect of war with the United States, Reuters reports [...]

**'Safe' uranium that left a town contaminated**


NOV 18 It is 50 years since Tony Ciarfello and his friends used the yard of a depleted uranium weapons factory as their playground in Colonie, a suburb of Albany in upstate New York state. "There wasn't no f [...]"

**Chavez dealing pain to Spain**

NOV 18 Chavez, who has nationalised large parts of the economy this year under his self-styled socialist "revolution", said last week he will revise diplomatic and business ties with the



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- » New! 50th Anniversary of the Karlsruhe Nuclide Chart
- » Gamma Spectrum Generator
- » easyMonteCarlo for Dosimetry & Shielding with Neutrons & Gammas

### » New Nucleonica Training Course

January 31, 2009

1st Advanced Training Course on Illicit Trafficking and Consequence Management with NUCLEONICA will take place on the 22-24th April 2009 at the Institute for Transuranium Elements, Karlsruhe

### » Treatment head for Beatson named

The new head of treatment at the flagship Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre has been named as Dr David Dunlop. Dr Dunlop replaces Professor Alan Rodger, who retired as clinical director of the &...

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### » Development of uranium deposits new Russian project in Armenia this year

YEREVAN, February 5. /ARKA/. The development of uranium deposits will be a new Russian project in Armenia this year, RF Ambassador to Armenia Nikolay Pavlov told a press conference at the international press center Novosti. The Armenian-Russian Mining Company established last September is developing uranium deposits in Armenia.

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### » Obama says US, Russia must work to halt nuclear proliferation

WASHINGTON: US President Barack Obama said Monday the United States and Russia should lead the way in preventing nuclear proliferation by restarting negotiations to cut their atomic arsenals.

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### » Obama says US looking for Iran talks in coming months

WASHINGTON: US President Barack Obama on Monday renewed his call for direct US dialogue with Iran, saying he hoped to create the conditions to "start sitting across the table, face to face" in the coming months.

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### » Research and Markets: Analysis of the World's Third Biggest Uranium Supplier as Production Targets to Increase Investments in Kazakhstan's Uranium Mining Industry

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


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Simmonds



Emily Alice  
Kroeger


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Areas Of Interest	Migration of radionuclides in the environment Effect of organics, natural and anthropogenic, on radionuclide transport
Latest Publications	Muhammad Haleem Khan, Peter Warwick and Nick Evans, Spectrophotometric Determination of Uranium with Arsenazo-III in Perchloric Acid, Chemosphere, 63, 2006, p 1165  Peter Warwick, Nick Evans and Sarah Vines, Studies on some divalent Metal a-Isosaccharinic Acid Complexes, Radiochimica Acta, 94(6-7), 2006, pp 363-369.  S. Aldridge, P. Warwick, N. Evans and S. Vines., Degradation of tetraphenylphosphonium bromide at high pH and its effect on radionuclide solubility, Chemosphere, 66(4), 2007, pp



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- ☐ 94 Pu201
- ☐ 94 Pu203
- ☐ 94 Pu238
- ☐ 41 C13

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- ☐ Pu238 Decay 2007
- ☐ C13 Pu248 37s
- ☐ Decay Engine Result
- ☐ Masson-Berthoin Source 1976
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- ☐ Operational for JRC Workshops at the Institute for Transuranium Elements
- ☐ NALM-3 International Conference on Nuclear Analytical Methods in the Life Sciences
- ☐ Request for photos of non-stable elements
- ☐ report
- ☐ Open positions at the University of Lige

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**October 2007 Karlsruhe**

**High Nuclear Science Summer Course with Neutronics, 25/26th Oct. 2007, (Hofmann, Karlsruhe)**

The 10th Nuclear Science summer course on Reactor Physics and Radiation with Neutronics was held at the Deutscher, Karlsruhe from the 25th to the 26th October. This one-day course provided a general introduction to the recently advanced Neutronics, the new science combining all applications of neutrons in a powerful and versatile with best software package for the nuclear science community. With examples and exercises, a variety of core and applied issues in nuclear science and technology were presented by experts in their respective fields.

A total of twenty-nine participants, around half of them seniors, with a diverse range of backgrounds attended the course. There were participants from Australia, Belgium, Canada, Republic, Czech Republic, Poland, Romania and Turkey. In addition there were 10 participants from the Institute for Nuclear Energy among them, students, academic and industry professionals from fields such as nuclear medicine, radiation protection, environmental radioactivity and reactor physics.

**Few Ages: 20th and 21st**

How can we get the best for the continuing training centre

**Links to the presentations and exercises**

- Networking with Neutronics (A. Magill) Exercises
- Nuclear Data (J. Van den Broek) Exercises
- Nuclear Chain (C. Bernard) Exercises
- Decay (Egon A. Schmidt) Exercises
- Discovery of Neutron (J. Van den Broek) Exercises
- Nuclear Processes & Fuel Trafficking (B. Mayrho) Exercises
- Overview of the Institute for Neutron Science (F. Wasth)
- Advanced Neutronics Physics (A. Magill)


**Training Course Feedback**

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**Core Participants**

**List of Participants**

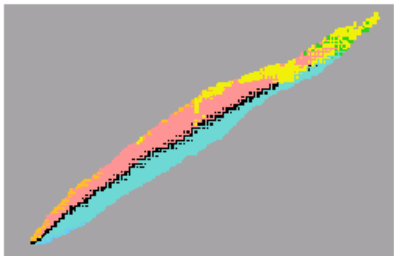
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-  63 Eu152
-  84 Po210
-  27 Co60
-  37 Rb98
-  37 Rb88

### > My Nuclide Mixtures

-  Natural Thorium
-  Natural Uranium
-  U232+Co60
-  Cs137 + Ba137m
-  Depleted Uranium (0.4%U235)

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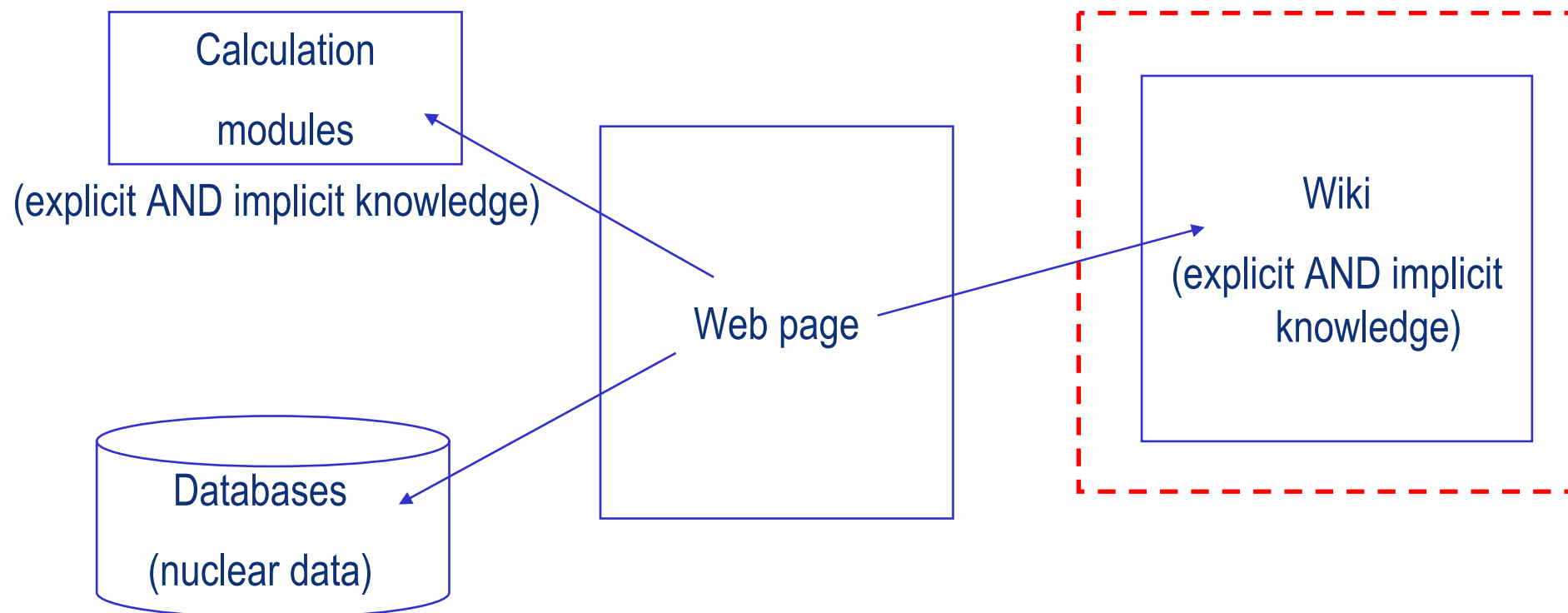
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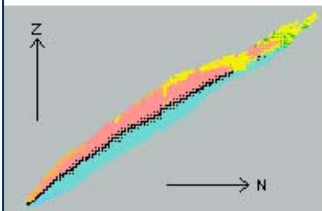
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**The NUCLEONICA Structure**



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Karlsruhe

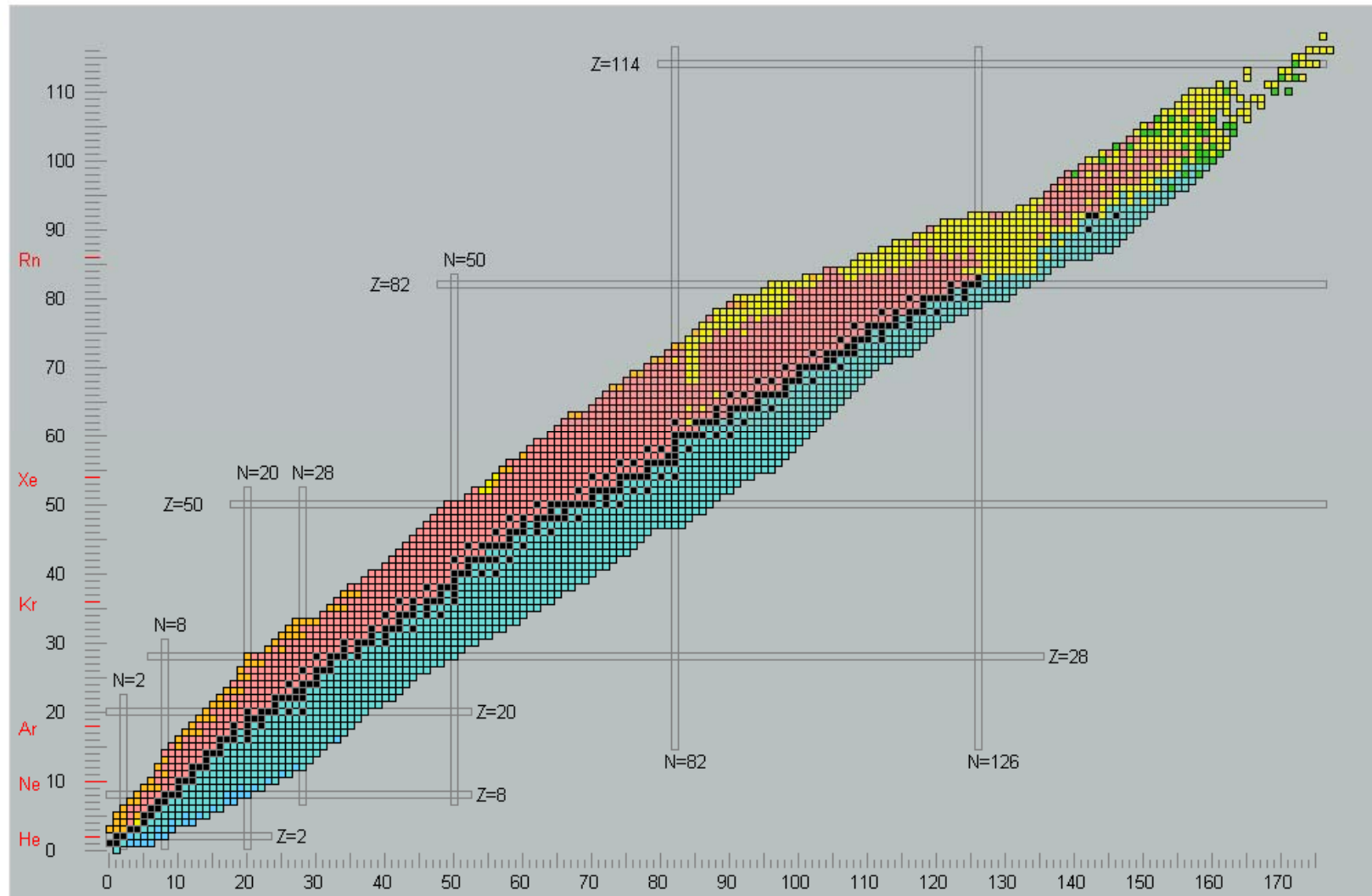
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None

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Ground state: 3127 nuclides from 3127

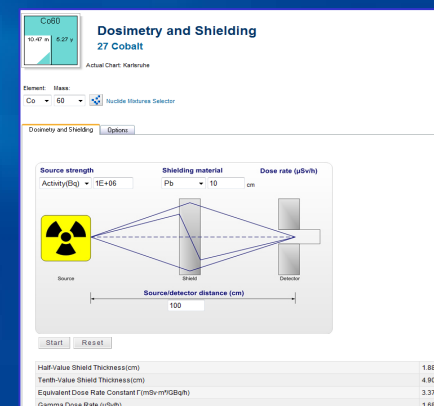
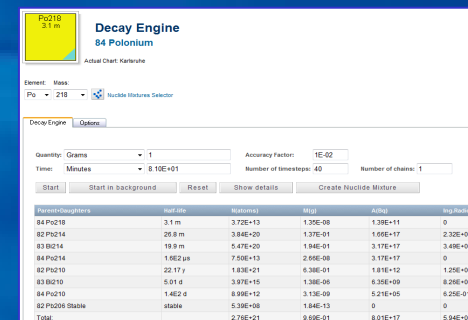
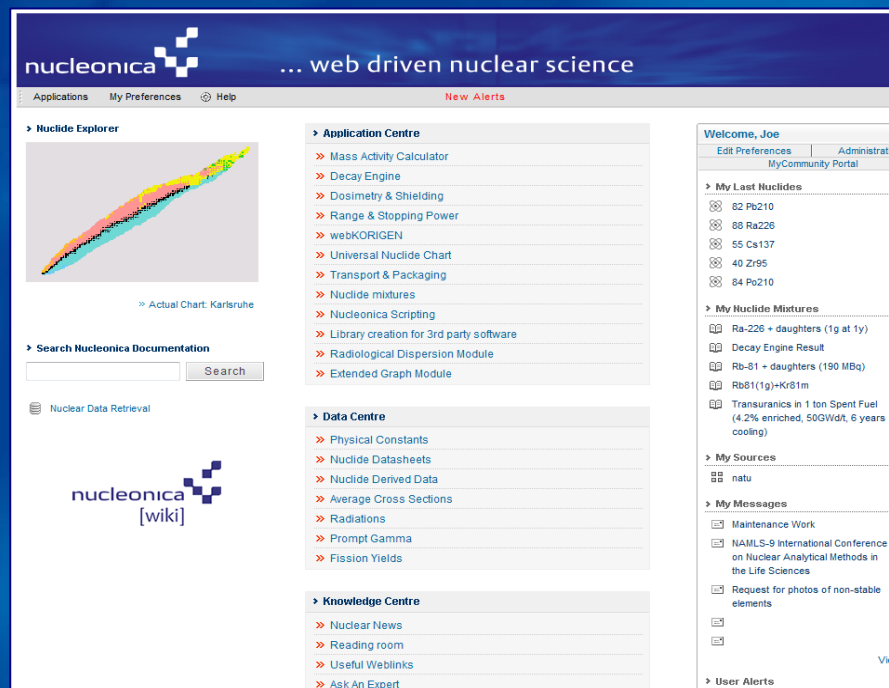
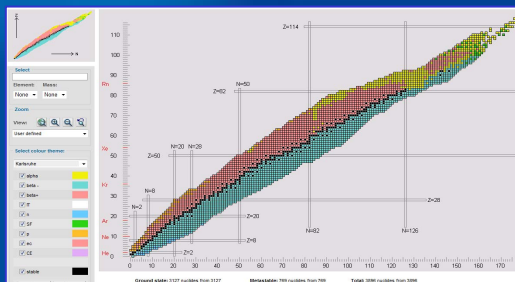
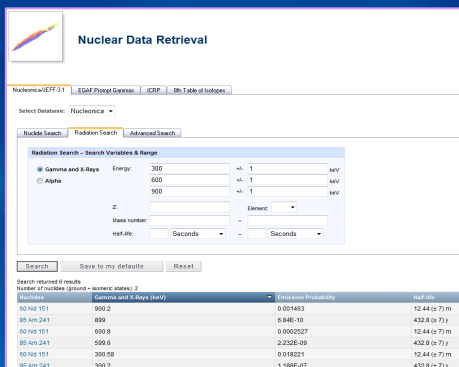
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Total: 3896 nuclides from 3896

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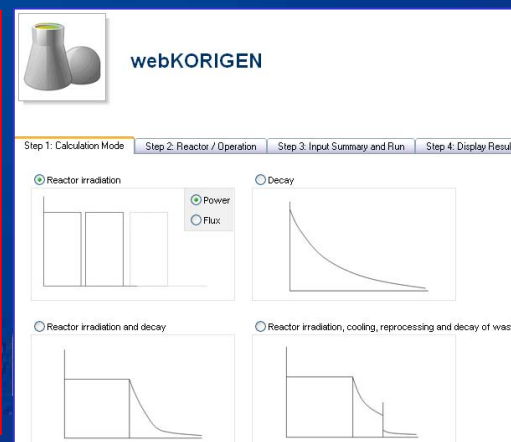
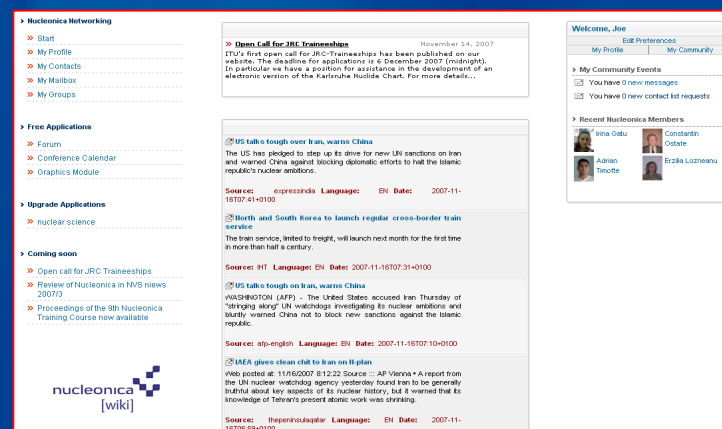
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## Nuclear Data Retrieval

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Select Database: Nucleonica

Nuclide Search Radiation Search Advanced Search

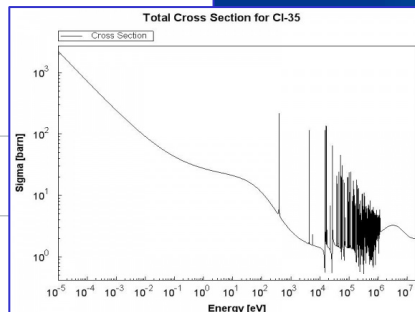
### Radiation Search - Search Variables & Range

☒ Gamma and X-Rays Energy: 300 +/- 1 keV  
☐ Alpha Energy: 600 +/- 1 keV  
Z: Element:   
Mass number: -   
Half-life: Seconds - Seconds

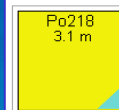
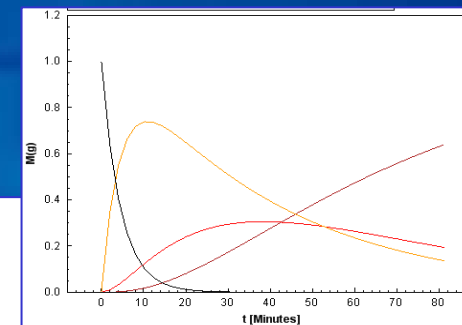
Search Save to my defaults Reset

Search returned 6 results  
Number of nuclides (ground + isomeric states): 2

Nuclides	Gamma and X-Rays (keV)	Emission Probability	Half-life
60 Nd 151	900.2	0.001463	12.44 (± 7) m
95 Am 241	899	6.84E-10	432.8 (± 7) y
60 Nd 151	600.8	0.0002527	12.44 (± 7) m
95 Am 241	599.6	2.232E-09	432.8 (± 7) y
60 Nd 151	300.58	0.018221	12.44 (± 7) m
95 Am 241	300.2	1.188E-07	432.8 (± 7) y



# Powerful tools...



## Decay Engine 84 Polonium

Actual Chart: Karlsruhe

Element: Mass:

Po 218

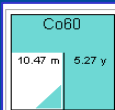
Nuclide Mixtures Selector

Decay Engine Options

Quantity: Grams 1 Accuracy Factor: 1E-02  
Time: Minutes 8.10E+01 Number of timesteps: 40 Number of chains: 1

Start Start in background Reset Show details Create Nuclide Mixture

Parent+Daughters	Half-life	N(atoms)	M(g)	A(Bq)	Ing.Radiot(Sv)
84 Po218	3.1 m	3.72E+13	1.35E-08	1.39E+11	0
82 Pb214	26.8 m	3.84E+20	1.37E-01	1.66E+17	2.32E+07
83 Bi214	19.9 m	5.47E+20	1.94E-01	3.17E+17	3.49E+07
84 Po214	1.6E2 µs	7.50E+13	2.66E-08	3.17E+17	0
82 Pb210	22.17 y	1.83E+21	6.38E-01	1.81E+12	1.25E+06
83 Bi210	5.01 d	3.97E+15	1.38E-06	6.35E+09	8.26E+00
84 Po210	1.4E2 d	8.99E+12	3.13E-09	5.21E+05	6.25E-01
82 Pb206 Stable	stable	5.39E+08	1.84E-13	0	0
Total:		2.76E+21	9.69E-01	8.01E+17	5.94E+07



## Dosimetry and Shielding 27 Cobalt

Actual Chart: Karlsruhe

Element: Mass:

Co 60

Nuclide Mixtures Selector

Dosimetry and Shielding Options

Source strength Activity(Bq) 1E+06  
Shielding material Pb 10 cm  
Dose rate (µSv/h)

Source Shield Detector  
Source/detector distance (cm) 100

Start Reset

Half-Value Shield Thickness(cm) 1.88E+00  
Tenth-Value Shield Thickness(cm) 4.90E+00

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### 9th Nuclear Science Training Course with Nucleonica, 25/26th Oct. 2007, Ostendorfhaus, Karlsruhe

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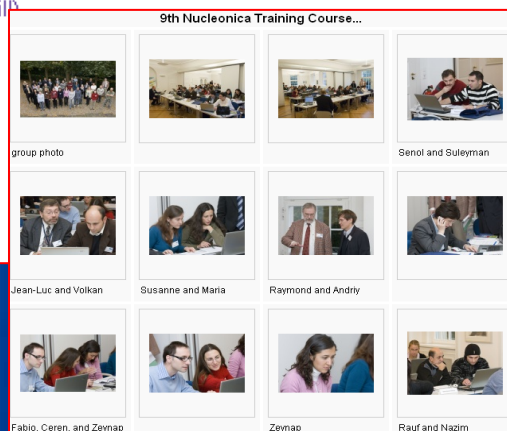
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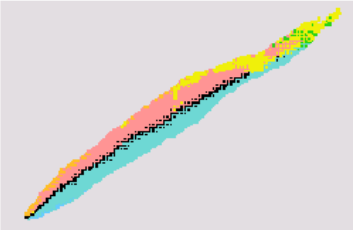
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# Example of a simple NUCLEONICA application: The Mass-Activity Calculator



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Co60

10.47 m 5.27 y

## Mass Activity Calculator

### 27 Cobalt


Actual Chart: Karlsruhe

Element: Co Mass: 60

Unit: Grams Quantity: 1

Unit	Quantity
Grams	1.0000E+00
Becquerel	4.1871E+13
Curies	1.1317E+03
Number of Atoms	1.0048E+22

Version 1.0.0000.0096



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### Introduction

The mass activity calculator is used to convert between the number of atoms, activity (Bq or Ci) and mass (g) for a specific nuclide.

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Mass Activity Calculator interface showing the Nuclide Selector, Unit/Quantity selector, and the Unit/Quantity Table.

## Example of a simple NUCLEONICA application:

### The Mass-Activity Calculator:

#### Unit Conversion [edit]

The conversion from mass to number of atoms  $N$ , and vice versa, is obtained using

$$N = \text{Mass}(g) \cdot N_A / M$$

where  $N_A$  is Avogadro's number,  $M$  is the atomic mass of the nuclide. The conversion from number of atoms to activity, and vice versa, is obtained using

$$\text{Activity}(Bq) = k \cdot N = \ln 2 \cdot N / \tau$$

$$\text{Activity}(Ci) = \text{Activity}(Bq) / 3.7 \cdot 10^{10}$$

where  $k$ , and  $\tau$  are the decay constant and half-life respectively of the nuclide. It follows that the relation between activity and mass is given by

$$\text{Activity}(Bq) = (\ln 2 / \tau) \cdot \text{Mass}(g) \cdot N_A / M$$

#### Simple Decay and the Decay Constant [edit]

For [simple radioactive decay](#) processes in which a parent nuclide decays and there is no source term for the production of the parent, the equation for radioactive decay is given by:

$$dN/dt = -kN$$

where  $N$  is the number of atoms at time  $t$  and  $k$  is the decay constant. The [Activity](#) is the number of disintegrations per unit time i.e.  $\text{Activity} = -dN/dt = kN$ . The decay constant is related to the [half-life](#)  $\tau$  through the relation

$$k = \ln 2 / \tau \approx 0.693 / \tau$$

It follows that the number of atoms as a function of time is given by

$$N(t) = N(0) \cdot e^{-kt} \text{ or alternatively } N = N(0) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/\tau}$$


and the activity as a function of time is given by

$$\text{Activity}(t) = \text{Activity}(0) \cdot e^{-kt} \text{ or alternatively}$$

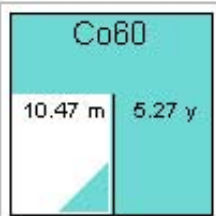
$$\text{Activity}(t) = \text{Activity}(0) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/\tau}$$

The expressions involving the term  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/\tau}$  are useful for calculating directly with the decay time  $t$  and the half-life  $\tau$ .

## Example of simple NUCLEONICA application:

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Co60  
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Unit Quantity

Grams 1 Update

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### Nuclide Selector

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In the Mass Activity Calculator, the nuclide Co-60 is selected by default. A different nuclide can be selected from the element and mass drop-down menus. The default source strength is 1 gram. In the Unit/Quantity table, this source strength is shown in Becquerel (Bq), Curie (Ci), Number of Atoms. Hence 1 g Co-60 corresponds to a source strength of 4.187E13 Bq, 1.132E3 Ci or 1.005E22 atoms.

Element: Mass:

Co 60

Nuclide Chart Button:



shows the location of the selected nuclide on the nuclide chart.

### Unit/Quantity Selector

[\[edit\]](#)

The input unit can be changed in the Unit drop down menu. The default value is 1 gram. Had the value 1 Curie been selected, on pressing the Update button, the corresponding values in grams, Bq, number of atoms are shown in the Unit/Quantity table.

Unit	Quantity
Curies	1.0000E+00
Grams	
Becquerel	
Curies	
Number Of Atoms	

Unit/Quantity Table

Once the unit and quantity have been selected in the Unit/Quantity Selector, the source strength in other units is given in the Unit/Quantity table, by pressing the update button. In the table below, results are shown for 1 Ci Co-60.

Unit	Quantity
Grams	8.8366E-04
Becquerel	3.7000E+10
Curies	1.0000E+00
Number of Atoms	8.8790E+18



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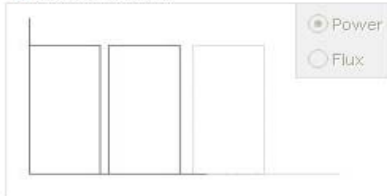
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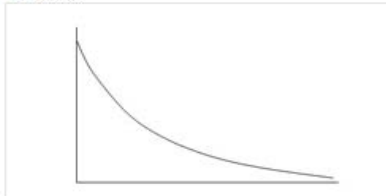
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Step 1: Calculation Mode Step 2: Reactor / Operation Step 3: Input Summary and Run Step 4: Display Result

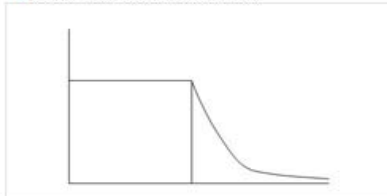
☐ Reactor irradiation



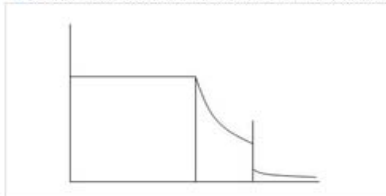
☐ Decay



☒ Reactor irradiation and decay



☐ Reactor irradiation, cooling, reprocessing and decay



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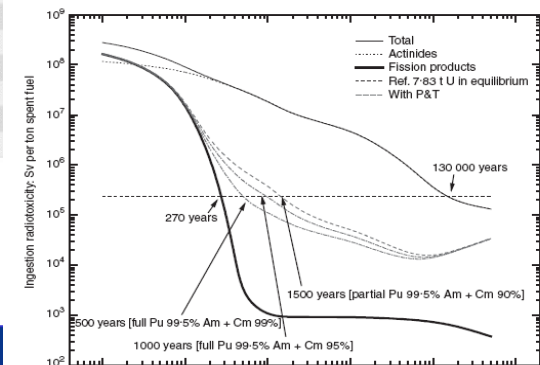
Display Results at 6 y for most important nuclides

Display quantity: Activity (Bq)

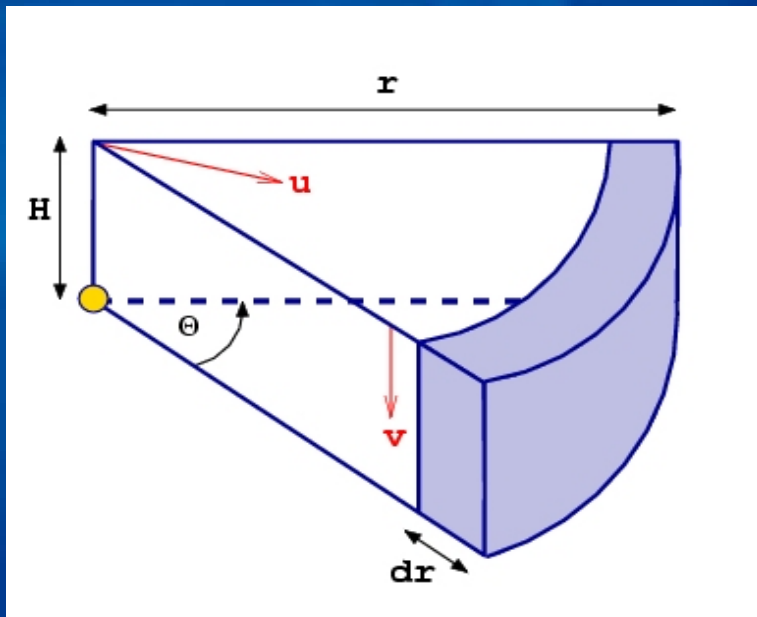
Top Nuclides	Results	Top Elements	Results	Totals	Results
Cs137	1.095E+17	Cesium	1.401E+17	Actinides:	1.130E+17
Ba137m	1.036E+17	Plutonium	1.054E+17	Fission Prod.	4.670E+17
Pu241	9.937E+16	Barium	1.036E+17	Total	5.800E+17
Y90	7.129E+16	Yttrium	7.129E+16		
Sr90	7.127E+16	Strontium	7.127E+16		
Cs134	3.065E+16	Promethium	2.917E+16		
Pm147	2.917E+16	Europium	1.209E+16		
Eu154	9.611E+15	Ruthenium	9.449E+15		
Rh106	9.449E+15	Rhodium	9.449E+15		
Ru106	9.449E+15	Krypton	7.199E+15		
Kr85	7.199E+15	Curium	6.249E+15		
Cm244	6.205E+15	Praseodymium	4.031E+15		
Pu238	5.291E+15	Cerium	3.983E+15		
Ce144	3.983E+15	Antimony	3.670E+15		
Pr144	3.983E+15	Americium	1.313E+15		
Sb125	3.669E+15	Tellurium	8.950E+14		
Eu155	2.477E+15	Neptunium	4.048E+13		
Am241	1.259E+15				
Te125m	8.950E+14				
Pu240	4.933E+14				

Neutron and gamma rates  
Neutron rate: 2.491E+10 n/s  
Gamma rate from Actinides: 6.427E+13 MeV/s


# Highlight: webKORIGEN



## RDD module development within Nucleonica.



Modelling Activities:  
Radiological consequences of  
an RDE involving radioactive  
and nuclear materials with the  
Wedge model.



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### Radiological Dispersion Module

Cobalt

Radiionuclide Co-60-0

Input

Wedge Snapshot

**Material**

Quantity 20000 Ci

Effective Dose Coefficient 3.100E-08 Sv/Bq

Activity 4.187E+13 Bq/g

Mass 1.767e+01 g

Wedge at 1000

Population density 2600 per km<sup>2</sup>

**Meteorology**

Cloud height 50 m

Deposition velocity 0.03 m/s

Wind velocity 5 m/s

Opening angle 12 degrees

Acute Effect Dose Limit 5 Sv

Run

**Results**

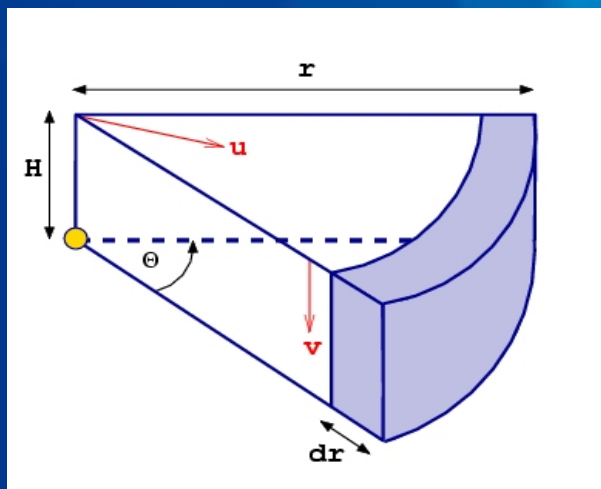
Distance [km]	Dose [mSv]	Time [min]
0.012	5000	0.039
0.059	1000	0.196
0.193	300	0.643
0.555	100	1.848
1.625	30	5.418
3.770	10	12.567
7.773	3	25.910
12.783	1	42.610
19.358	0.3	64.526

**Summary**

Characteristic Aerosol Range	8.33E+00	km
Characteristic Aerosol Lifetime	4.63E-01	h
Total intake activity by inhalation	8.66E+09	Bq
Collective Dose (<5.00 Sv)	2.69E+02	man-Sv
Number of excess cancers	13	
Number of Acute Effects	0	
Acute Effect Distance	1.18E-02	km
Acute Effect Time	3.94E-02	min

- Modelling Activities: Radiological consequences of an RDE involving radioactive and nuclear materials.

Comparison of simple analytical models (WEDGE) and complex codes (LASAIR)



**Gamma Spectrum Generator**... can be used to simulate the gamma spectrum of radioactive substances with a variety of detectors (e.g. NaI, HPGe). The simulator presents an efficient visual teaching aid that is especially useful in training facilities which have restrictions on the use of radioactive substances, or when sources of special interest are not available.

of interests for...

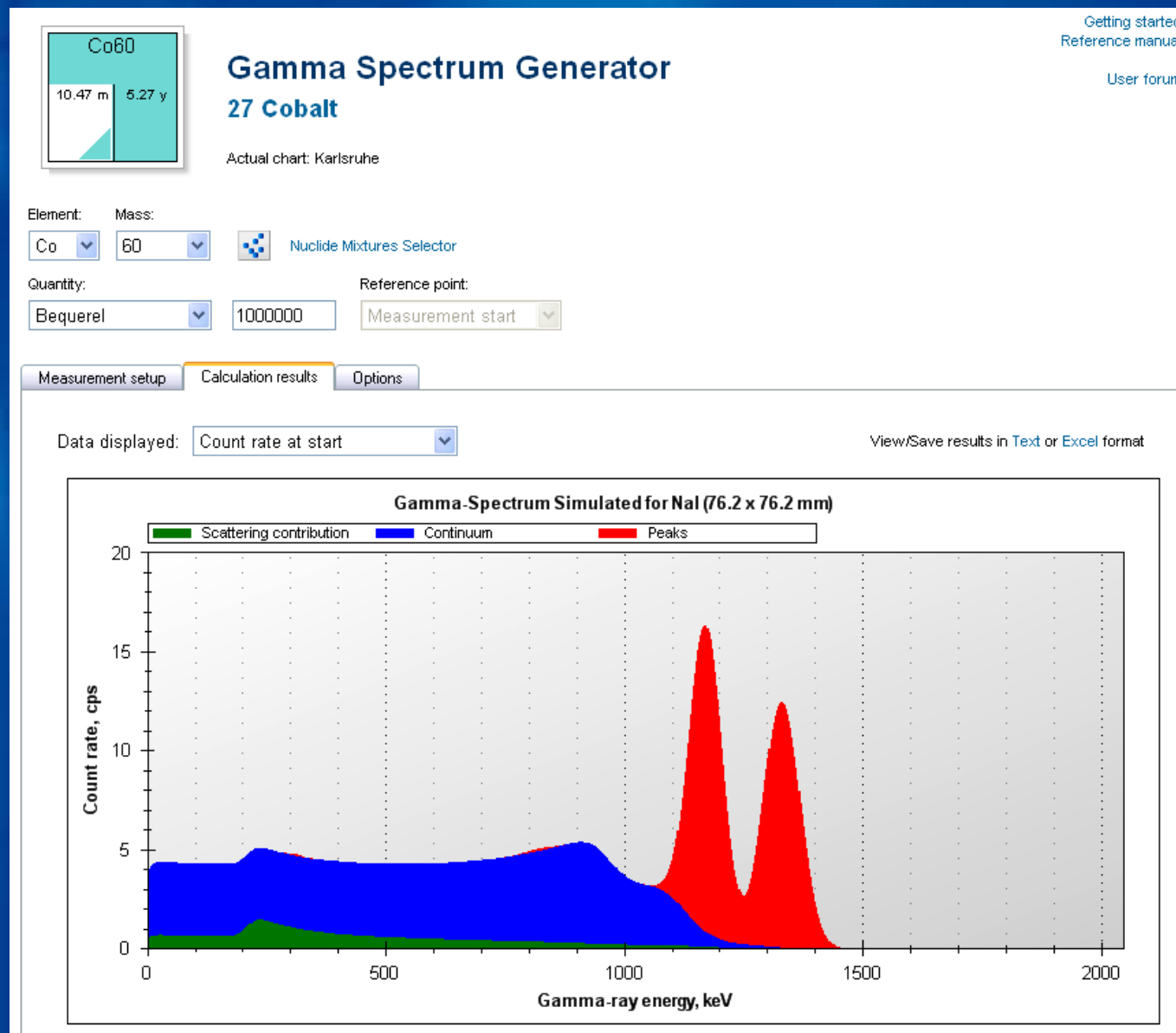
- nuclear and radio-chemists,
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- nuclear facility operators,
- radiation protection staff,
- safeguards inspectors,
- border police,
- customs and law-enforcement officers.

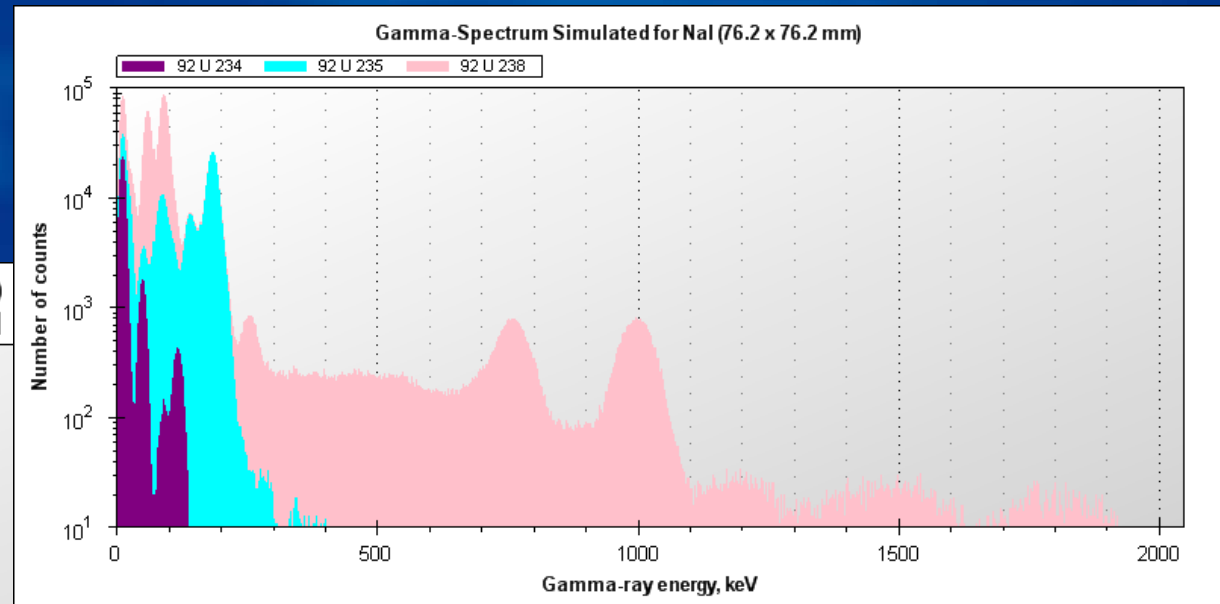
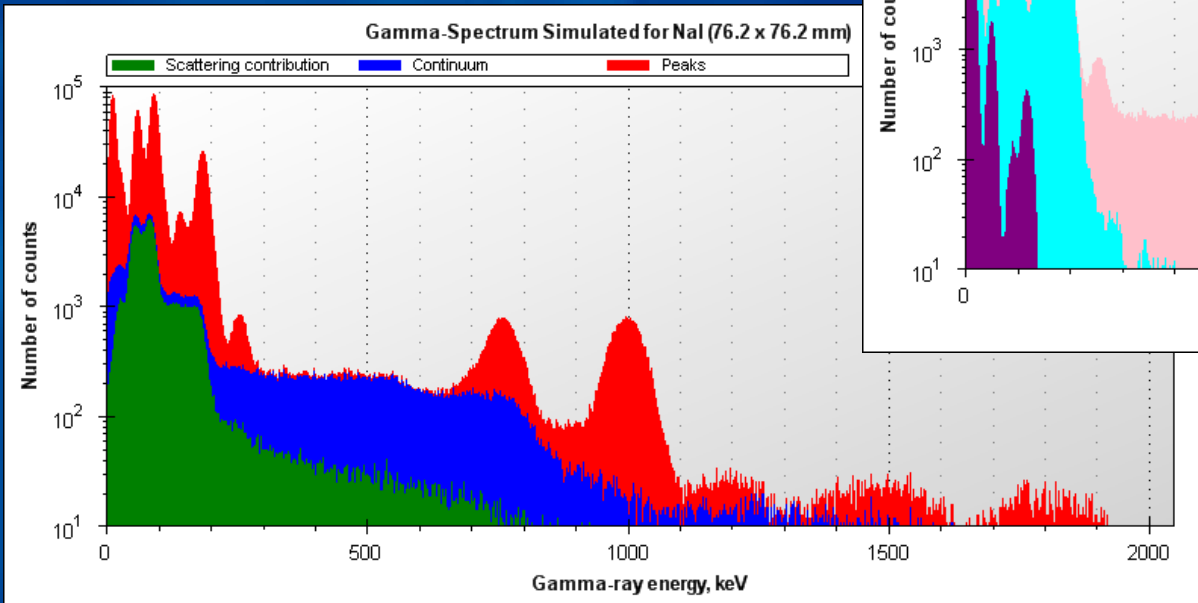
Needs for **Education & Training** in these areas are high and, obviously, they will be increasing in the future as new challenges arise, such as

- strengthening international safeguards and security,
- nuclear terrorism prevention

The screenshot shows the 'Gamma Spectrum Generator' web application. At the top, the 'nucleonica' logo is on the left, and the tagline '... web driven nuclear science' is on the right. Below the logo is a navigation bar with links for 'Applications', 'My Preferences', 'Print', and 'Help'. The main content area is titled 'Gamma Spectrum Generator' and '27 Cobalt'. It features a 'Co60' isotope card showing half-life (10.47 m) and decay constant (5.27 y). Below this are input fields for 'Element' (Co), 'Mass' (60), 'Quantity' (Bequerel), and 'Reference point' (Measurement start). A 'Nuclide Mixtures Selector' button is also present. The 'Measurement setup' tab is active, showing 'Measurement time' (sec, 1000) and a 'Start' button. The 'Current configuration' is set to 'NaI, L x D = 3 in x 3 in (default)'. A diagram illustrates the detector setup: a 'Source' (red dot) emits gamma rays through a 'Filter' (blue grid) into a 'Crystal' (green square). The 'Crystal' is labeled 'NaI' and 'Crystal'. Dimensions are shown: 'Source to Detector distance' (250.0 mm), 'Crystal length' (76.2 mm), and 'Crystal diameter' (76.2 mm). A 'Show more settings' checkbox is at the bottom right.

This “one-click” calculation simulates the spectrum for a 10 MBq  $^{60}\text{Co}$   $\gamma$ -source located at 25 cm distance from unshielded 3" x 3" NaI detector. A typical result of the calculation is shown...





The  $\gamma$ -spectrum modelled for a 10-year-aged natural U sample and 3"×3" NaI detector. The two diagrams show different presentations of the same spectrum. The top diagram shows the separate contributions from the parent and daughters of U-234, U-235, U-238. The bottom diagram shows the contributions from the peak and continuum components of the spectrum.

## easyMonteCarlo:

easy to use, fast, accurate dosimetry and shielding calculations for gammas and neutrons using Nucleonica's powerful Monte Carlo engine. Investigate the effects of self-attenuation in the source, build-up effects in the shield etc., on the dose rate and the particle flux distribution at the detector...

NUCLEONICA's *easyMonteCarlo* web-page showing the currently implemented shielding geometry...


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**easyMonteCarlo**  
27 Cobalt

Dosimetry & Shielding with Neutrons & Gammas  
Version: 2008.10.13 16:1

Actual chart: Karlsruhe

Element: Co Mass: 60 Mixture selector:   
Activity (Ci): 1

Shield:   
☐ Compound Paraffin   
☒ Element Fe

Detector:   
☐ Particle flux   
☒ Dose rate

Start Stop Resume

Geometry Source Options Results Input Parameters Service Output

Gamma emitter   
Neutron emitter

Source Diameter: 10

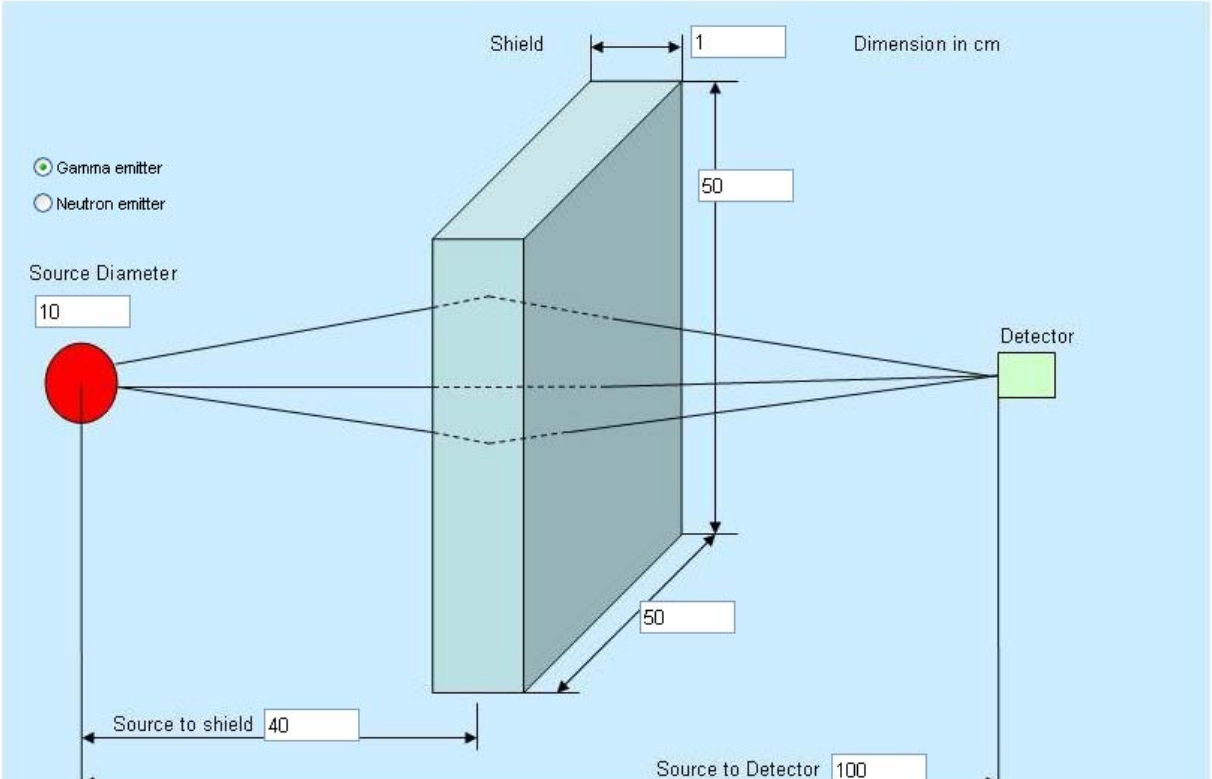
Shield: 1 50 50

Source to shield: 40

Source to Detector: 100

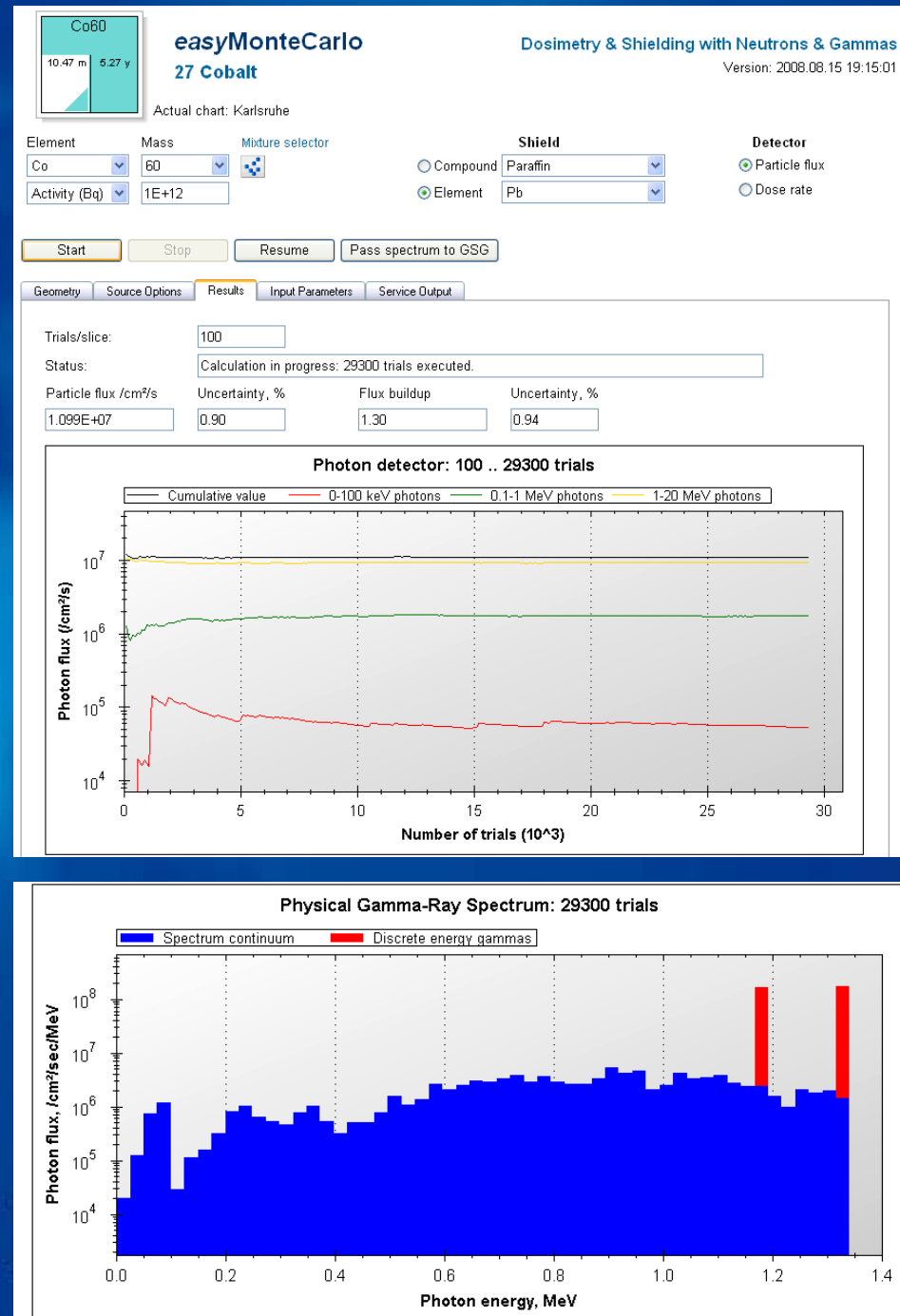
Detector

Dimension in cm



# easyMonteCarlo...

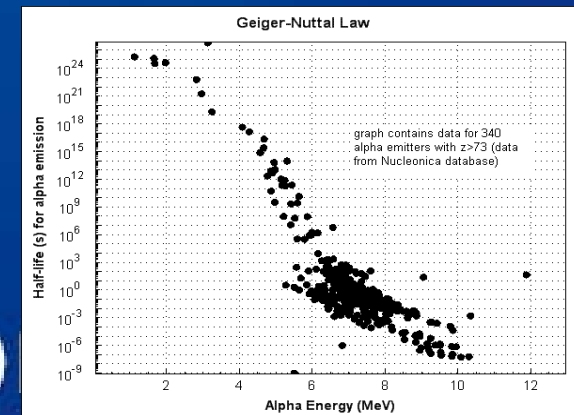
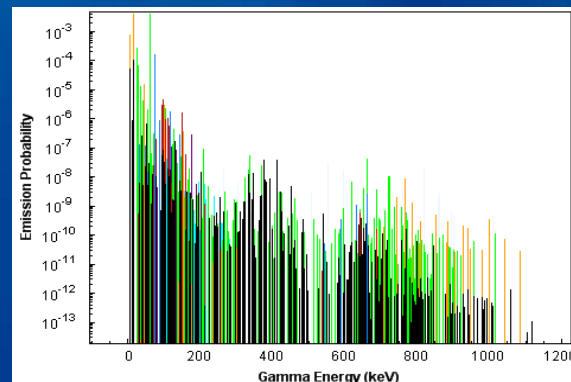
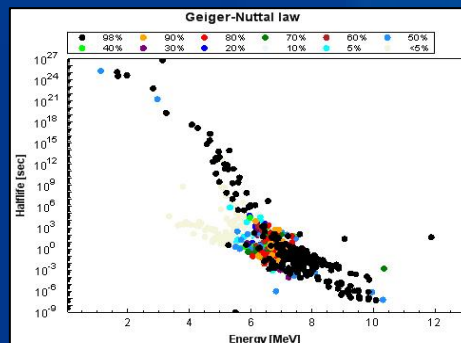
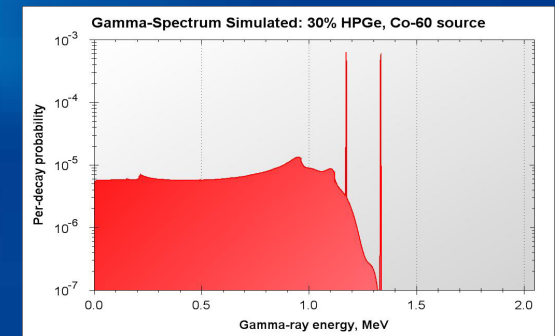
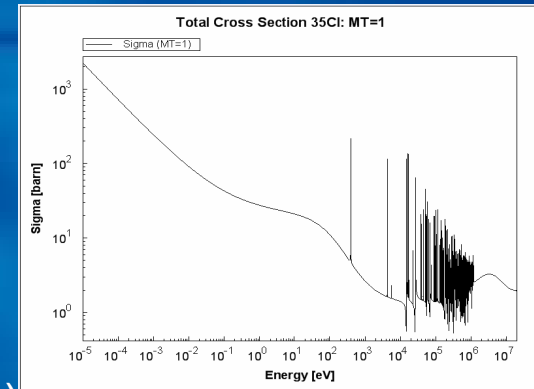
An example of the easyMonteCarlo calculation results is shown. The figure demonstrates the photon flux energy distribution from the  $^{60}\text{Co}$  source with 10 cm  $\times$  50 cm  $\times$  50 cm iron shield. The source-to-shield and source-to-detector distances are 20 cm and 40 cm respectively. The contributions of the direct and scattered photons to the total flux are indicated on the graph by the red and blue columns respectively.



# webGraphics...

## The Nucleonica webGraphics Features:

- No need to buy expensive commercial software
- Easy to use
- Delivers publication quality scientific graphs
- Variety of formats available (gif, jpg, emf, eps, png, svg)
- Graphics configuration can be stored for future use
- Available at any time from any location
- Under constant further development



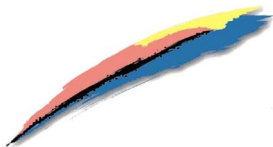
# Conclusions: Key Advantages of Nucleonica

- Keep informed with the latest news on nuclear issues
- Use internationally evaluated nuclear data in your work
- Extensive range of nuclear science applications
- Manage all your data in a single browser-based system and keep track of your recent activities
- Prepare a lecture or a training course with Nucleonica materials (graphics. etc.)
- Prepare publication quality scientific graphs
- Stay in contact with your colleagues from previous employment, workshops or conferences
- Meet scientists from your areas of interest and build up an international contact list and represent yourself and your Institute/Organisation in the international science community



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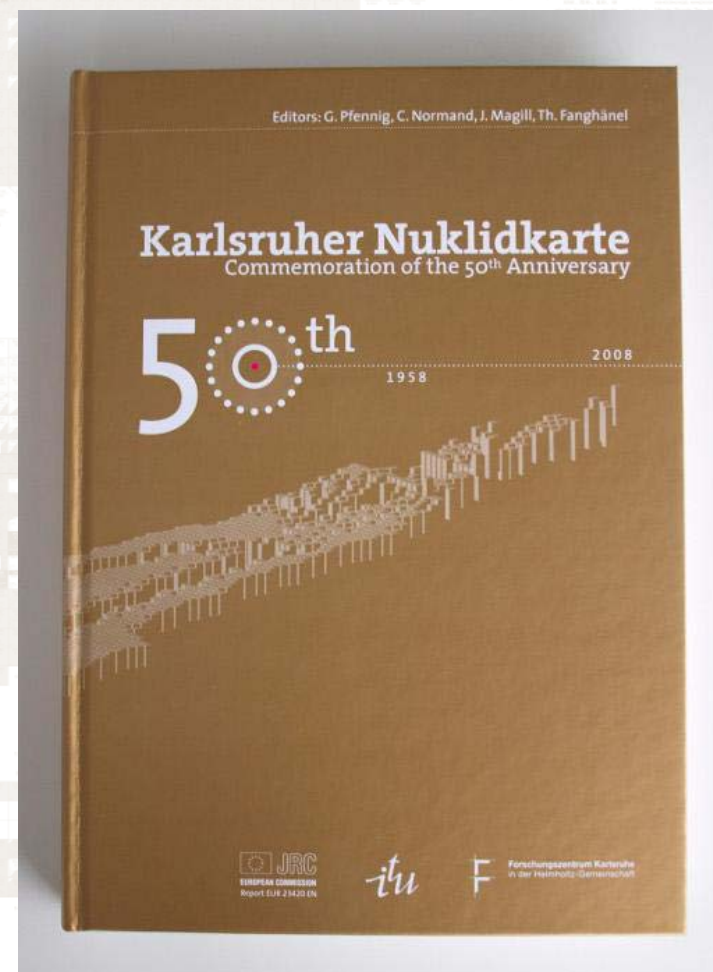
Fold-out Chart &  
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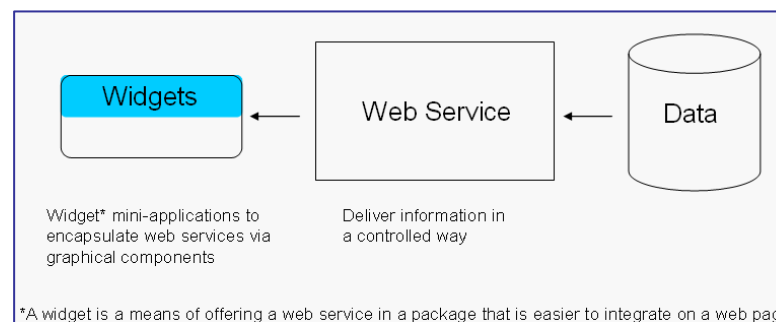
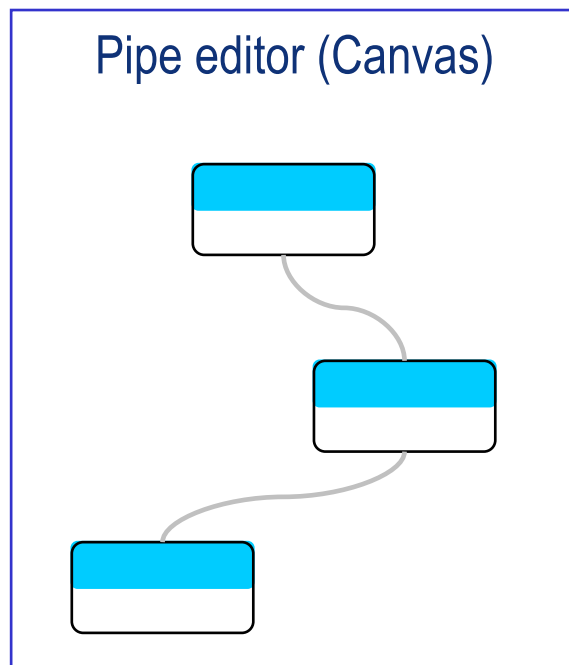
## New Publication:



Long-term Vision...

## sciencePipes

**A New Approach to Knowledge Management, Education and Training based on Modular Web Services**



- can be combined from other web services from any location (+)
- can only be called up from anywhere anytime (+)
- combining web services requires no programming knowledge(+)

# NUCLEONICA:SNAP Science Networking and Applications Portal

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Next Course:

Training Course on Illicit Trafficking and Consequence Management with NUCLEONICA

April 22-24, 2009 at the Institute for Transuranium Elements, Karlsruhe Germany

For further information, see NUCLEONICA Wiki at:

[http://www.nucleonica.net:81/wiki/index.php/Help:Training\\_Course\\_Announcements](http://www.nucleonica.net:81/wiki/index.php/Help:Training_Course_Announcements)



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# NUCLEONICA: A Platform for Knowledge Management, Education and Training

## Types of Knowledge

It is generally accepted that different types of knowledge have very different characteristics. Explicit knowledge, for example, consists of facts, sets of instructions, etc. Implicit knowledge, on the other hand, is more related to know-how. These different types of knowledge have, of course, very different characteristics with regard, for example, to transferability. Explicit knowledge is transferable from person to person, across space and time. In contrast, tacit knowledge cannot be easily articulated and its transfer is slow and uncertain. As a consequence, explicit knowledge is not the basis of sustainable advantage over other organisations (except in the form of copyrights, patents, etc.). It is more the tacit knowledge that fits this role and this is notoriously difficult to transfer - even within the organization itself.

This is one of the greatest problems to be dealt with in knowledge management and is a constantly recurring problem. Within the Nucleonica nuclear science portal, we attempted to tackle this problem through the development of web-based scientific applications based for example on legacy computer codes. By developing user friendly web-applications (for example webKORIGEN) we aimed at opening up the use of this fuel cycle analysis computer code to a wider audience (through avoiding the time consuming tasks of obtaining such codes, compiling them, testing etc.). This application was then supported by a range of modern web networking features such a wiki, forum, questions and answers (Q/A), frequently asked questions (FAQs) etc. where users could interact with the developer(s) and the Nucleonica team.

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